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### 2001 Halibut Landing Report No. 6

#### Quota Share Commercial Fishery Update

It is estimated that the following catches and numbers of landings were made in the British Columbia IVQ and in the Alaskan IFQ/CDQ fisheries through June 14, 2001.

Area	Catch Limit (000's pounds)	Catch (000's pounds)	Number of Landings
2C	8,780	4,423	1,280
3A	21,890	11,587	1,501
3B	16,530	6,458	397
4A	4,970	948	65
4B	4,910	708	57
4C	2,030	10	12
4D IFQ	1,421	180	8
4D/E CDQ	999	124	192
Alaska total	61,530	24,438	3,512
2B	10,510	4,403	382
Grand Total	72,040	28,886	3,894

The Alaskan catch represents 40% of the catch limit. For comparison, from March 15 to June 15, 2000, 22.8 million pounds, or 41% of the 2000 catch limit, were landed in the Alaskan IFQ/CDQ fishery. From March 15 to June 15, 2000, 4.7 million pounds, or 45% of the catch limit, were landed from Area 2B (British Columbia) compared to 42% in 2001.

#### Northwest Treaty Tribes Fishery in Area 2A

Of the 424,000 pound treaty halibut allocation, 17,500 pounds were directed toward ceremonial and subsistence, while the remaining 406,500 pounds were divided between restricted and unrestricted commercial fisheries. The first restricted fishery (March 15 to April 15, limit: 500 lbs./vessel/day) took 62,323 pounds in 211 landings, while the first unrestricted fishery (March 21 to March 23, 60 hrs) took 204,005 pounds in 59 landings. A 24-hr mop up fishery from April 19 to 20 took an additional 116,280 pounds in 29 landings. With 23,892 pounds remaining in the catch limit, a second restricted opening (limit: 500 lbs./vessel/day) was held from April 25 to May 11, which landed 29,042 pounds in 77 trips.

In total, the treaty tribes caught 411,650 pounds in the 2001 commercial fishery, a 1.3 % overage of the commercial catch limit.

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Incidental Commercial Halibut Catch in the Area 2A Salmon Troll Fishery

The total allowable incidental commercial catch of halibut allocated to the salmon troll fishery is 34,046 pounds. An estimated 3,150 pounds of halibut have been landed in Washington through the end of May. As of June 10, it was estimated that 5,300 pounds of halibut were landed in Oregon.

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